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Delta Stewardship Council Delta and Water Policy Legislation

AB 1813 (Buchanan D) Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009.

Introduced: 2/21/2012

Status: 2/22/2012-From printer. May be heard in committee March 23.

Location: 2/21/2012-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009, establishes the Delta Stewardship Council as an independent agency of the state. Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board to establish an effective system of Delta watershed diversion data and public reporting by December 31, 2010. Existing law requires the board to develop new flow criteria for the Delta ecosystem, as specified. Existing law requires the board to submit those determinations to the council. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to those provisions.

Position

Watch

AB 1871 (Logue R) Water supplies: drought preparedness.

Introduced: 2/22/2012

Status: 2/23/2012-From printer. May be heard in committee March 24.

Location: 2/22/2012-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law authorizes the Department of Water Resources to operate the State Water Project and to undertake various other functions relating to the water resources of the state. This bill would require the department to prepare and submit to the appropriate committees of the Legislature a report that includes recommendations relating to drought preparedness and to conduct an annual survey of public and private water suppliers relating to water supply reliability in the event of a drought.

Position

Watch

AB 1884 (Buchanan D) Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009: covered actions.

Introduced: 2/22/2012

Status: 2/23/2012-From printer. May be heard in committee March 24.

Location: 2/22/2012-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009, establishes the Delta Stewardship Council as an independent agency of the state. Existing law requires a state or local public agency that proposes to undertake a covered action that will occur within the boundaries of the Delta or the Suisun Marsh to prepare, and submit to the council, a specified written certification of consistency with the Delta Plan prior to taking those actions. Existing law defines the term "covered action" to mean a plan, program, or project, as specified. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to the section defining covered action.

Position

NAR

AB 2000 (Huber D) Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: Delta Plan.

Introduced: 2/23/2012

Status: 2/24/2012-From printer. May be heard in committee March 25.

Location: 2/23/2012-A. PRINT

Summary: The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 requires the Delta Stewardship Council to consider the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) for inclusion in a specified Delta Plan, and requires the incorporation of the BDCP into the Delta Plan if the BDCP meets certain requirements, as specified. This bill would state findings and declarations regarding the lack of information about the regulatory and environmental consequences of incorporating the BDCP into the Delta Plan. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would include elements in the environmental impact report and environmental impact statement for the BDCP and to include certain changes in the BDCP, as specified.

Position

NAR

AB 2075 (Fong D) State water policy.

Introduced: 2/23/2012

Status: 2/24/2012-From printer. May be heard in committee March 25.

Location: 2/23/2012-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law establishes various state water policies, including the policy that the growing water needs of the state require the use of water in an efficient manner and that the efficient use of water requires certainty in the definition of property rights to the use of water and transferability of

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such rights. This bill would declare that it is the policy of the state to promote water conservation, water efficiency, and water recycling as the most cost-effective means of increasing water supply and protecting the environment.

Position

Watch

AB 2421 (Berryhill, Bill R) Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: peripheral canal.

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Status: 2/27/2012-Read first time. **Location:** 2/24/2012-A. **PRINT**

Summary: Existing law requires various state agencies to administer programs relating to water supply, water quality, and flood management in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The bill would require the Legislative Analyst's Office to complete a prescribed economic feasibility analysis prior to the enactment of a statute authorizing the construction of a peripheral canal, as defined.

Position

Watch

AB 2422 (Berryhill, Bill R) State Water Resources Development System: reporting requirement.

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Status: 2/27/2012-Read first time. **Location:** 2/24/2012-**A.** PRINT

Summary: Under existing law, the Department of Water Resources operates the State Water Resources Development System. Existing law requires the department, on or before January 10, 2010, and annually thereafter, to prepare and submit to the chairpersons of the fiscal committees of the Legislature a report, as prescribed, about the budget of the State Water Resources Development System. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes in these provisions.

Position

Watch

AB 2423 (Berryhill, Bill R) Comprehensive Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta planning.

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Status: 2/27/2012-Read first time. **Location:** 2/24/2012-A. **PRINT**

Summary: Existing law, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009, establishes the Delta Stewardship Council as an independent agency of the state. Existing law requires the council, on or before January 1, 2012, to develop, adopt, and commence implementation of a comprehensive management plan for the Delta (Delta Plan), as specified. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to those provisions.

Position

Watch

SB 200 (Wolk D) Delta levee maintenance.

Introduced: 2/8/2011 **Last Amend:** 1/24/2012

Status: 1/26/2012-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Location: 1/26/2012-A. DESK

Summary: Existing law establishes a delta levee maintenance program pursuant to which a local agency may request reimbursement for costs incurred in connection with the maintenance or improvement of project or nonproject levees in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Existing law declares legislative intent to reimburse eligible local agencies under this program, until July 1, 2013, in an amount not to exceed 75% of those costs that are incurred in excess of \$1,000 per mile of levee, and on and after that date, in an amount not to exceed 50% of those described costs. This bill, instead, would declare legislative intent to reimburse up to 75% of those described costs until July 1, 2014, and on and after that date, to reimburse up to 50% of those described costs. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position

Watch

SB 250 (Rubio D) Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: Delta Plan: conveyance facility.

Introduced: 2/10/2011 Last Amend: 8/29/2011

Status: 8/29/2011-Referred to Com. on RLS. From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 8/29/2011-A. RLS.

Summary: Existing law imposes requirements on the Department of Water Resources in connection with the preparation of a Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP). This bill would require that the

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department's development of certain Delta conveyance facilities be completed on or before February 15, 2013, and would require that the construction of those facilities be completed by December 31, 2025. This bill contains other existing laws.

Position

Watch

SB 1283 (Alquist D) San Francisco Bay Area Sea Level Rise Planning Act.

Introduced: 2/23/2012

Status: 2/24/2012-From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 25.

Location: 2/23/2012-S. PRINT

Summary: Existing law, including the California Coastal Act of 1976, provides for the planning and regulation of development and use of coastal resources in the state. This bill would establish the San Francisco Bay Area Sea Level Rise Planning Act, which would authorize a regional sea level rise management group, as defined, or local government agency to prepare and adopt an integrated sea level rise management plan for the San Francisco Bay area, in accordance with specified requirements. The bill would require a state agency that elects to develop an integrated sea level management plan to include specified criteria in that plan, and to prioritize funding for the plan, as prescribed.

Position

Watch

SB 1386 (Lowenthal D) Delta Flood Protection Fund.

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Status: 2/27/2012-Read first time. **Location:** 2/24/2012-**S. PRINT**

Summary: Existing law establishes the Delta Flood Protection Fund in the State Treasury and states the intent of the Legislature to annually appropriate specified amounts of money in the fund to the Department of Water Resources for delta levee maintenance and delta flood protection projects. Existing law abolished the Delta Flood Protection Fund on July 1, 2010. This bill would repeal obsolete provisions establishing the Delta Flood Protection Fund and would make conforming changes to existing law.

Position

Watch

SB 1495 (Wolk D) Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009.

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Status: 2/27/2012-Read first time. **Location:** 2/24/2012-S. PRINT

Summary: The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 establishes the Delta Stewardship Council, which is required to develop, adopt, and commence implementation of a comprehensive management plan for the Delta by January 1, 2012. The act defines "covered action" to mean a plan, program, or project that meets specified conditions. This bill would exclude from the definition of "covered action" specified leases approved by specified special districts, and dredging activities and projects conducted by the federal government or specified special districts to improve interstate and international commerce through the navigable waters of the United States.

Position

Watch

SB 1558 (Kehoe D) Urban water management plans.

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Status: 2/27/2012-Read first time. **Location:** 2/24/2012-**S.** PRINT

Summary: The Urban Water Management Planning Act requires an urban water supplier to prepare and adopt an urban water management plan that identifies and quantifies the existing and planned sources of water available to the water supplier's service area, based on specified factors. The act states the intent of the Legislature, in enacting the act, to permit levels of water management planning commensurate with the number of customers served and the volume of water supplied. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that intent provision.

Position

Watch

Total Measures: 14 Total Tracking Forms: 14